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New Sedgwick County Commission Chairman, Chairman Pro Tem Selected

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) - During their regular meeting of January 14, 2004, the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners selected Tom Winters, 3rd District Commissioner, to serve as the 2004 Chairman.

Prior to his election to the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners in 1992, Commissioner Winters was involved in the operation of Winters Truck Lines, Inc. He also founded two small businesses of his own, including another trucking company and a recycling company.

He served as Chairman of the Board in 2000, 1997 and 1996. Commissioner Winters was the first representative ever elected to consecutive terms as Commission Chair.

"I believe that my background in business management has been essential to my service as a Sedgwick County Commissioner," said Commission Chairman Tom Winters. "I look forward to serving as Chairman in 2004, while we as a Board, are going to be faced with several big decisions."

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Commissioner Dave Unruh, 1st District, was selected as Chair Pro Tem.

Prior to his election as a County Commissioner in 2002, Commissioner Unruh was actively involved in the Wichita Independent Business Association (WIBA), and served as Chairman of the Board of Directors in 2001. He was most recently appointed to serve on the Board of Directors for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Some of the issues that Commissioner Unruh is focusing on during his term as Commissioner include the community's solid waste plan and the role of juvenile and community corrections programs in public safety.

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners meets every Wednesday at 9:00 a.m. on the third floor of the Sedgwick County Courthouse, 525 N. Main.

The Board is made up of 1st District Commissioner Dave Unruh, 2nd District Commissioner Tim Norton, 3rd District Commissioner Tom Winters, 4th District Commissioner Carolyn McGinn, and 5th District Commissioner Ben Sciortino.

For more information on the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, visit our website at www.sedgwickcounty.org.

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